Tonari no Oniisan

part 1

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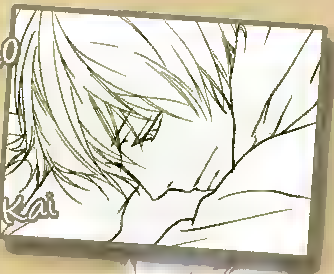

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くりの おにいちゃん

A slow, long, cute, and fuzzy story of LOVE~

じっくり・ゆっくり・かわいく
ほんわかLOVE♥漫画

I HAVE BEEN LOOKING AT YOU...
THE COOL "BIG BROTHER"...

ずっと見てきた、
カッコイイ"お兄ちゃん"だから…

I really love love love love him... He's what love is all about...

大好きで大好きで大好きで…
それしかない恋なんです。

評判高し♥
最新BBC
「そこに座るな」
グッときちゃう描き下ろし付き!
書店で見つからないときは
注文してください♥

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He's far better at house chores than me, so he can be more useful to you.
Oh? What's wrong...? Maybe he's shy since it's been a while.
Wataru-kun, please take good care of him.
IT'S COMPLI-CATED...
My son here is really no good at that. Please take good care of him, Hiroto-kun.
Sure...
Well then, Misaki-san, let's go home.
I HAVE TRIED TO AVOID HIM AS MUCH AS I CAN SINCE THE 8TH GRADE, THE BIG BROTHER NEXT DOOR THAT'S FIVE YEARS OLDER THAN ME.
MY LIFE AS A UNIVERSITY STUDENT WITH WATARU BEGINS NOW.
It wasn't your room-mate that moved out,
but your partner, right?
.....
open
You can use this room.

It's okay,
I won't approach you or do anything like that.
THE HOUSE NEXT DOOR HAD THREE SONS.
OUR BALCONY WAS BUILT RIGHT IN FRONT OF THE SIDE WINDOW NEXT DOOR, AND I WAS ABLE TO SEE EVERYTHING THAT HAPPENED IN THAT SIDE OF THE HOUSE.
HEEEY! HIROOO!
LET'S PLAY SOCCER!
THE YOUNGER TWO ARE TWINS, AND BOTH ARE GAYS.. I FOUND OUT ABOUT IT WHEN I WAS IN MY 6TH GRADE.
TANIGUCHI! I'M COMING!
FROM THE BALCONY, I CAN SEE STRAIGHT INTO WATARU'S ROOM.
I DIDN'T FEEL ANY DISGUST... ON THE CONTRARY...
dash
THAT OTHER BOY IS CUTE...!
nod
nod

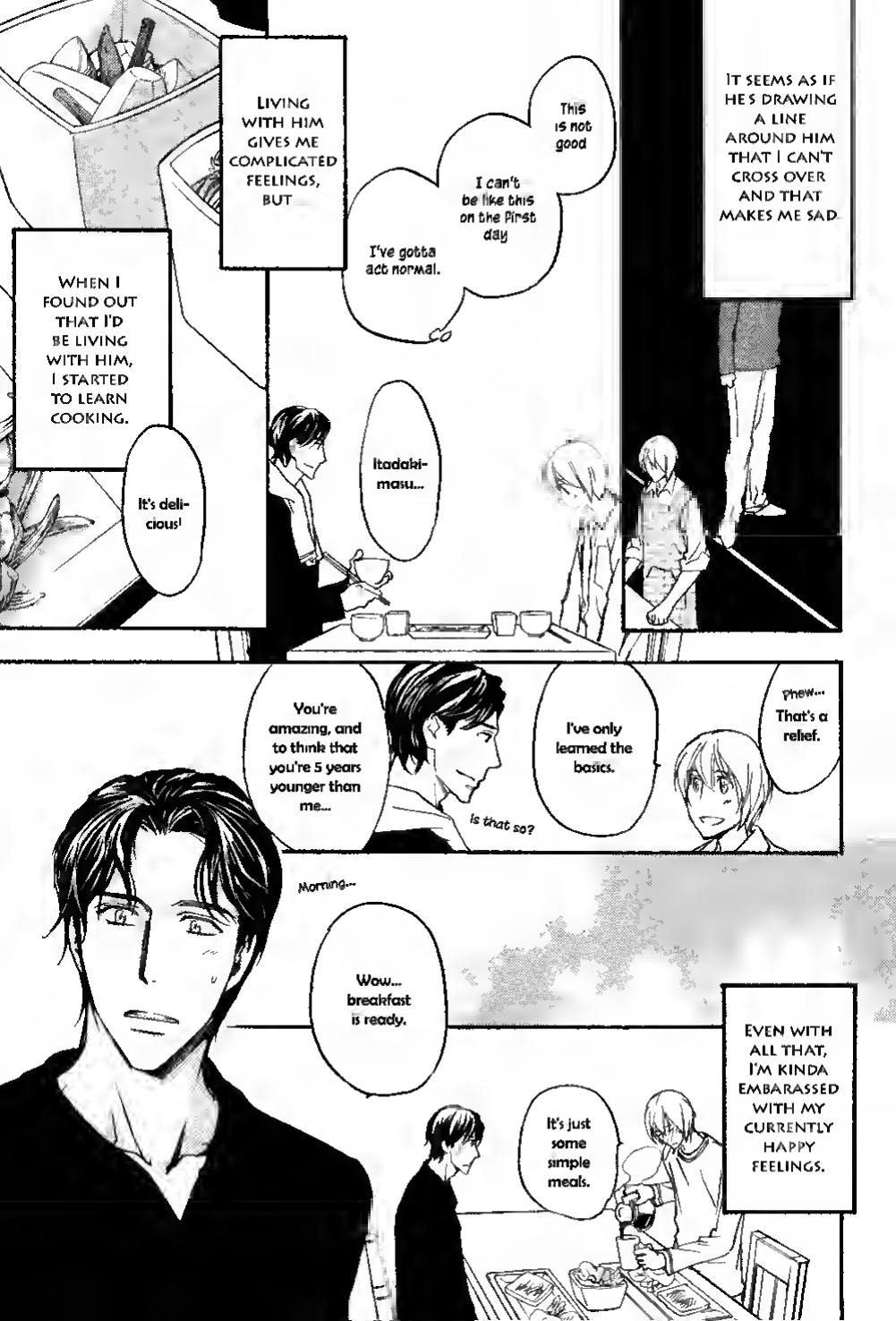
I WAS KIND OF JEALOUS OF THAT BOY.
I WISH I WAS A HIGH-SCHOOLER LIKE WATARU...
THREE YEARS LATER.
8TH GRADER
UNIVERSITY STUDENT
Third...
You've been counting, huh...?
SO WATARU, YOU BROKE UP WITH YOUR THIRD BOYFRIEND?
I AM JUST HELPING WITH YOUR STUDIES DURING THE SUMMER HOLIDAY... OKAY?
YEAH
I'm done.
SINCE HE ENTERED UNIVERSITY AND MOVED AWAY, WE COULD HARDLY SEE EACH OTHER ANYMORE.
SO DURING THAT SUMMER BREAK, I WAS SO HAPPY THAT WE COULD MEET EVERY DAY.
※ OLDER TWIN : TSUKASA
YOUR OLDER TWIN, TSUKASA, HAS STOPPED TEACHING.
COME IF YOU DARE.
Ahaha...
BUT HE SEEMS TO HAVE SETTLED DOWN A BIT.
I SEE...
I doubt it.
Anyway~
WHICH HIGH SCHOOL WILL YOU BE ATTENDING?
Yeah, you're doing it right.
THE SAME HIGH SCHOOL YOU WENT TO
I SEE... YOU'LL HAVE IT EASY THEN.
SINCE I WON'T BE ABLE TO WATCH OVER YOU TOO MUCH FROM NOW ON,
I WAS GETTING A BIT WORRIED. BUT NOW I KNOW YOU'LL BE FINE.

WHY'S... THAT?
thump
MY FATHER'S FRIEND HAS ASKED ME TO TUTOR HIS SON.
WHY?
DO YOU HAVE TO DO IT?
HIS HOUSE IS PRETTY CLOSE TO MY PLACE.
I DIDN'T WANT THAT!
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
HIRO, YOU WOULD BE FINE BY YOURSELF.
HE OFTEN MISSES SCHOOL, AND I NEED TO TEACH HIM THE PARTS THAT HE MISSED.
Hmmm...
BUT GETTING THIS JOB IS QUITE A TEMPTING OFFER...
HOW MUCH?
SHOULD I PAY YOU THE SAME?
DON'T BE SILLY..
LIKE I COULD ACCEPT IT
rattle

Then...
TAKE THIS!
I'LL GIVE YOU ALL OF THIS
LET ME BE YOUR LOVER, JUST FOR TODAY!
JUST ONCE IS ENOUGH!
MAKE...
blush
MAKE LOVE TO ME...
pinch
NO, IT'S NOT EASY!
ALL THIS TIME, I...!
...DON'T SAY SOMETHING LIKE THAT SO EASILY.

He wouldn't even let me say "I love you".
NO WAY.
After that, I secretly went to his apartment.
I watched him talking happily with the boy he was tutoring. Then I returned home without even calling out to him
THAT IS ANOTHER CUTE BOY.

Now put the onions into the miso soup...
Good~
boil
boil
open
Oh...
what a nice smell!
All Wataru's lovers that I know of are the cute type.
Unlike me...
That's why I gave up... but now I have to live together with him.
Whoa... He smells fresh~
It'll be done soon, please take a seat.
Hmm... you've got skills.
Don't push yourself too much on the first day.
That means he doesn't have any intention on dating me...
Anyone who's dating you sure is lucky.
Say that after you taste it.

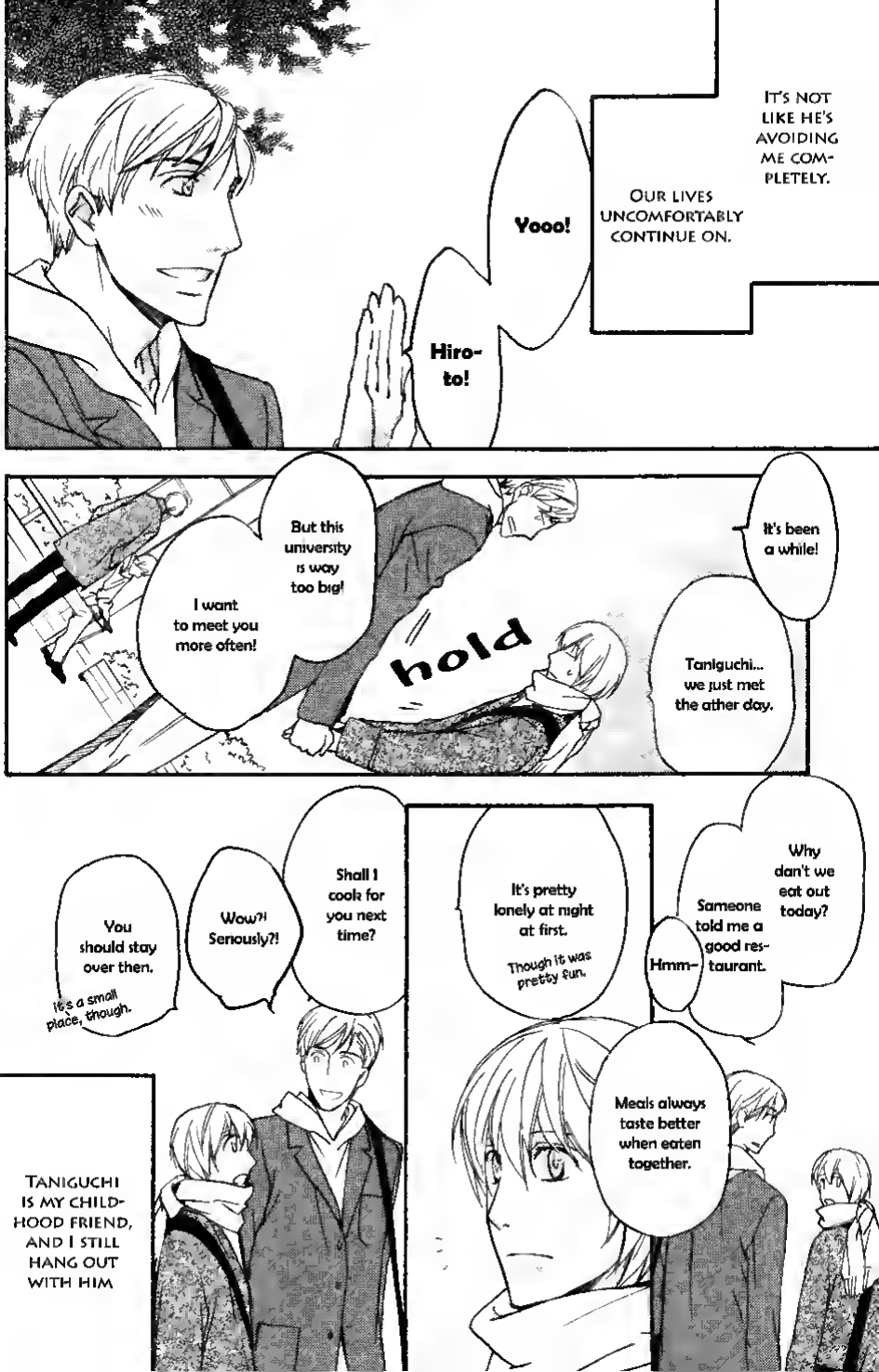

Living with him gives me complicated feelings, but...
This is not good
I can't be like this on the first day
I've gotta act normal.
It seems as if he's drawing a line around him that I can't cross over and that makes me sad.
When I found out that I'd be living with him, I started to learn cooking.
It's delicious!
Itadaki-masu...
You're amazing, and to think that you're 5 years younger than me...
Is that so?
I've only learned the basics.
Phew... That's a relief.
Morning...
Wow... breakfast is ready.
It's just some simple meals.
Even with all that, I'm kinda embarassed with my currently happy feelings.

He doesn't need to talk about him every morning.
NAO IS THE BOY THAT HE TUTORED BEFORE.
And he's only a year younger than you.
It would be great if Nao can do this much.
At least he should appreciate what he eats.
brush brush
twitch
IF ONLY I...
Are you going already?
Ah!
HAVE A FACE THAT..
SUITS WATARU'S TYPE..
Your lover ..?
I hope not.
...work?
...Sorry, I have an appoint-ment.
What about dinner?
Should I make it?

I HEARD HE'S STILL TAKING CARE OF HIM EVEN AFTER HE STOPPED TUTORING
...yeah.
...it's him, right? The boy named Naoyuki.
You should just tell me.
...that's right.
I guess so...
I GUESS HE LIKES HIM...
I'm quite shocked by the reality I'm facing
You could...
...you could just invite him over... the more the merrier, right?
I'm sorry, but he's still a bit shy.
Maybe some other time?
When...
...will it be?

You always avoid me like that...
You could just refuse it if you don't want it.
You could also refuse living with me...
Actually...
you'd prefer living with Naoyuki, right?
If you have someone else that you cared so much, even your lover would walk away from you
Sorry.
Let's talk about this later.
I'll be going now.
close

I DID THOUGHT I SHOULD BE CALM.. I SHOULD ACT NORMAL..
IN FRONT OF WATARU, I'VE ALWAYS EXPOSED MY UGLY SIDE.
I'M DISGUST-ING...
He sure-ly hates me.
I THOUGHT WE'D BE ABLE TO BE TOGETHER MORE OFTEN ..
rub
rub
Will this goes on. ..?
He's late today.. could it be that he's staying over..?
Ah!
creak
open
Thank God, he came home...
We... welcome home!
AFTER THAT, I HAD DINNER ALONE.
Was dinner always this boring?
DISCIPLINED AND STILL COOKS EVERY DAY
munch
munch
.....
Put on some clothes or you'll catch a cold.
Ah, okay.


It's not like he's avoiding me completely.
Our lives uncomfortably continue on.
Yooo!
Hiro-to!
It's been a while!
Taniguchi... we just met the other day.
hold
But this university is way too big!
I want to meet you more often!
Why don't we eat out today?
Hmm–
Someone told me a good restaurant.
It's pretty lonely at night at first.
Though it was pretty fun.
Meals always taste better when eaten together.
Shall I cook for you next time?
Wow?! Seriously?!
You should stay over then.
It's a small place, though.
Taniguchi is my childhood friend, and I still hang out with him

Well I guess it depends on the distonce to our house... Should we work at o convenience store?
In o convenience store, or gos station, or transport service, something like that.
Great- then we should write out some CV.
Oh, right!
Would you like to get some parttime jobs?
I'll cook your favorite food.
...I am feeling kinda lonely, so glad you're still around.
Uhm...
...ore you still in love with him?
That guy from next door?
Moybe...
What do you mean "maybe"...

I'M HAPPY BEING WITH HIM, BUT..
I just get irritated or sad with every little thing.
I'm getting tired...
Hmmm~
The year I graduated from Junior High...
Ah~ right!
scribble
It's easy since most of them are the same with yours.
Yeah... see you tomorrow!
beep
silence...
slump
.....

WHAT WILL BE "ALL RIGHT"...?
It'll be all right, everything will go on just fine.
If I get a parttime job, I won't have any more lonely time like this...
FOR WHAT WILL IT GO "FINE"?
I'm home.
Hiroto... you'll catch a cold.
CV...?

rattle

If you want to sleep, lay down on the futon.
Huh? Welcome home~
Ack!
You're drooling.
Hey, you're awake.
yawn
rustle
.....
Ah.. blanket..? (0)
It has nothing to do with you.
snatch
What kind of job...?
You're getting a parttime job?
That's because you're doing good by yourself. I thought that you'll be fine.
...well said, even though you're always neglecting me.
Liar...
...you always choose Nao over anything!
I need to know what you're doing.
Your mother entrusted you to me,

act like my guardian...
...don't half-heartedly...
YOU'RE ALWAYS PUTTING HIM FIRST...
So you're not denying it...
Whatever...
I'm still worried about what job you'll be doing.
sigh...
You used to be such an honest and cute boy...
Since when did you become like this...?

I know I'm not cute.
Hirato...
rustle

.....
I'M SO NOT CUTE
EVEN THOUGH I'VE WANTED TO ALWAYS BE A GOOD BOY IN FRONT OF WATARU...
I KNOW WHY I CAN'T...

No matter how much of a good boy I am...
I can never become Wataru's lover...
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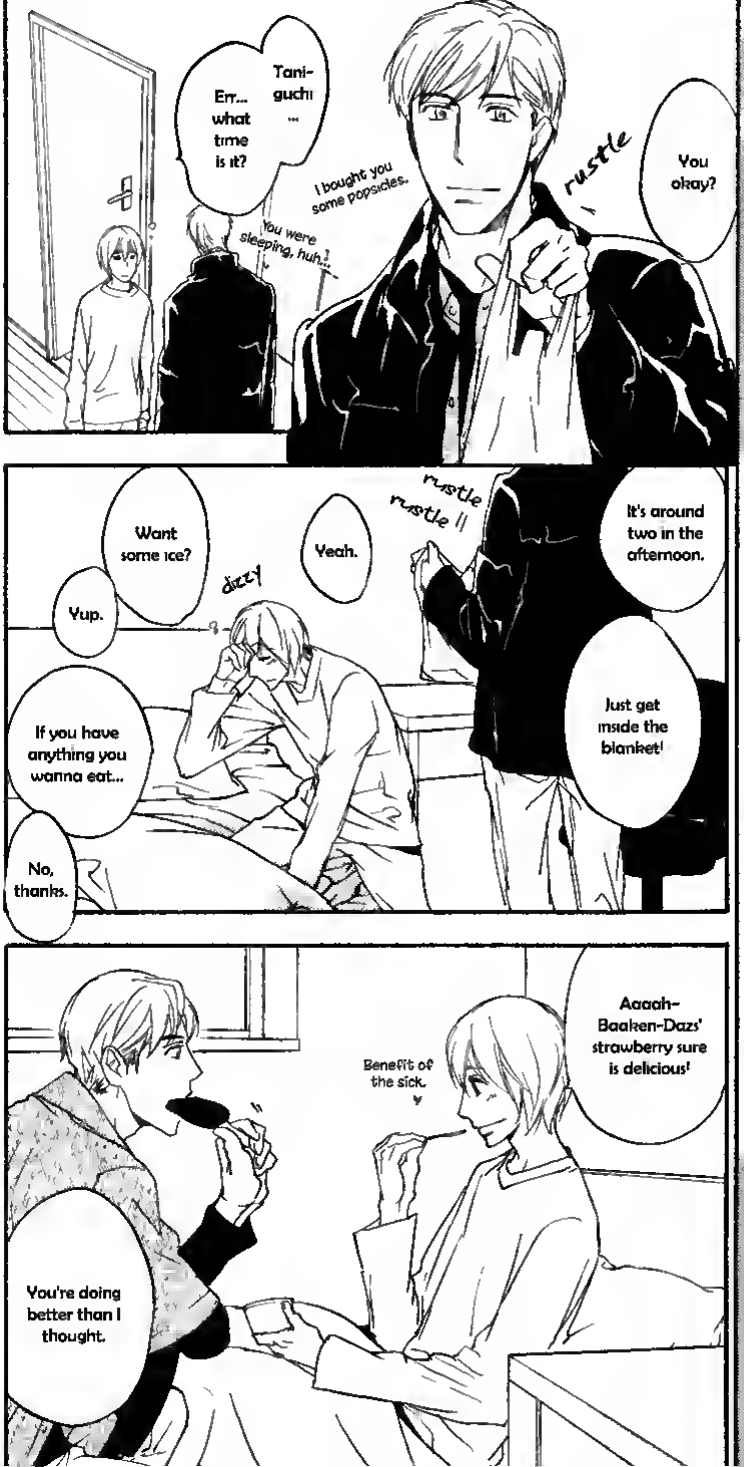
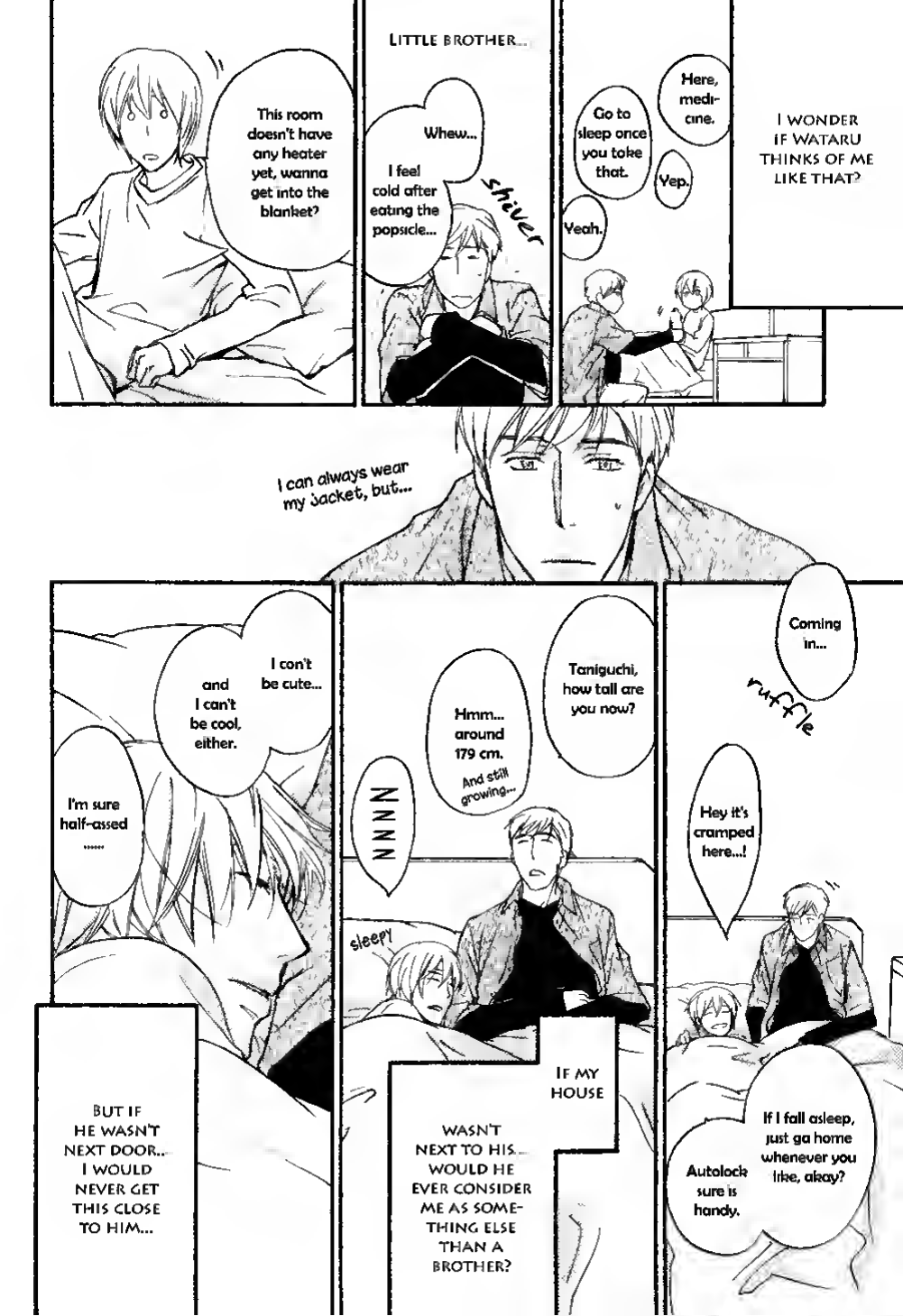
beep
beep
beep
You should rest today.
haa
.....
If you get any worse than this
I'll have to contact the hospital and your mother.
I'll prepare some porridge for your lunch, eat your medicine after that, okay?
...you don't need to.
I'll be fine by myself.
I'll try to come home as fast as possible.
Call me if anything comes up.

Don't be stupid.
At least be a good boy when you're sick.
hit
Ouch!
I'll buy that popsicle that you like.
.....
Okay.
I'll be going now.
FOR A MOMENT... I THOUGHT IT'D BE NICE IF I STAY SICK.
I'M such a Fool ..
I'M bored
Sleepy .
dazed
AH, THE MEDICINE'S WORKING...
Ah ...
That's right... I gotta tell Taniguchi ..


Tani-guchi ...
Err... what time is it?
You were sleeping, huh...?
I bought you some popsicles.
rustle
You okay?
ding dong
Want some ice?
Yeah.
rustle rustle
It's around two in the afternoon.
Yup.
dizzy
Just get inside the blanket!
If you have anything you wanna eat...
No, thanks.
Aaaah~ Baaken-Dazs' strawberry sure is delicious!
Benefit of the sick.
You're doing better than I thought.

Yeah.
nod
Get a rest after you eat and get some medicine so you'll be well soon
The water and medicines are already prepared.
Ah... sorry about the parttime jobs...
Don't worry, you can always go to the interview after you get better.
To Wataru, I always unconsciously turn provocative.
I can speak honestly...
...only to Taniguchi.
.....
← DONE EATING
SIBLINGS... LITTLE BROTHER....
I said something like that!
We're not siblings.
Even if you get into a fight, you can always make up, or something like that.
Isn't it because you're like siblings?


This room doesn't have any heater yet, wanna get into the blanket?
LITTLE BROTHER...
Whew...
I feel cold after eating the popsicle...
shiver
Here, medicine.
Go to sleep once you take that.
Yep.
Yeah.
I WONDER IF WATARU THINKS OF ME LIKE THAT?
I can always wear my jacket, but...
I can't be cute...
and I can't be cool, either.
I'm sure half-assed .....
BUT IF HE WASN'T NEXT DOOR.. I WOULD NEVER GET THIS CLOSE TO HIM...
Taniguchi, how tall are you now?
Hmm... around 179 cm.
And still growing...
NNNN
sleepy
IF MY HOUSE WASN'T NEXT TO HIS... WOULD HE EVER CONSIDER ME AS SOMETHING ELSE THAN A BROTHER?
Coming in...
ruffle
Hey it's cramped here...!
If I fall asleep, just go home whenever you like, okay?
Autolock sure is handy.

...NO, IF I NEVER GET CLOSE, I WON'T SUFFER LIKE THIS.
gasp
Hiro...
Mmh...
open
I'm home, how's your condition?

rustle
Who are you...?!
Whot is it...?
Nothing.
I'm going home now, you go back to sleep, okay?
Yea...

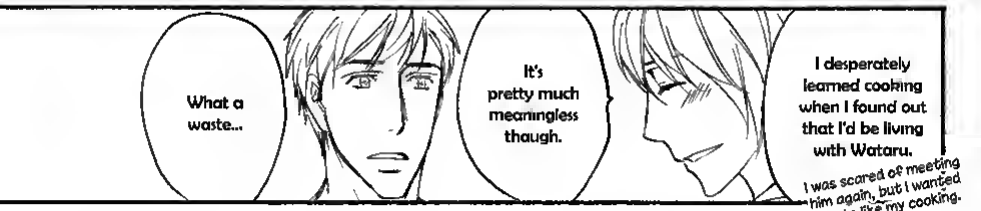
Is that all...?
You...
The medicine's taking effect, it's best not to wake him up.
.....
I've been his friend since we're children.

That'll make it easier for me.
If you don't have any intention of that sort...
could you leave Hiroto be like you've been doing?
Well then, excuse me.
click
What are you...

clack
clack
After that, Taniguchi comes every single day.
I'll make you some coffee.
Ah- morning!
Mor- ning.
.....
Also, Wataru starts to come home earlier than usual and pay more attention to me.
But it looks like he's just...
How's your health?
touch
Taking care of me as a big brother.
So Wataru, you can go to his place.
I've rested three days ...I'm fine.
rush
rush
I shouldn't get my hopes up, right?
.....
...Anyway, if he thinks of me as a younger brother, that's fine for me now.
I'll be a good boy, so he won't hate me.
This will be a long battle...!!
I'll be staying at my friend's place tonight.
.....
That one...

.....
His name is Taniguchi, I'll be working together with him, too.
munch
I promised him that I would cook him dinner sometimes.
...your childhood friend?
That's right.
Hiro...
are you dating him?
Uhm...
why would you think...
that?
No...
Because it'll be good for you if I am?
I...
the one I love is...
Sorry.
I'm such an idiot.
I could have just avoided this talk!

HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN LIKE THIS...?
HE STILL CAN'T READ THE CLOCK?
How stupid.
TSU-KASA!
shock
DON'T WORRY! I'LL TEACH YOU
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU'RE DOING IT FINE
WA-TARU IS AL-WAYS KIND,
HE'D STAY BY MY SIDE EVEN THOUGH HE'S MUCH OLDER THAN ME.
BUT NOW, EVEN THOUGH HE'S STILL BY MY SIDE, SOMEHOW...
step
step
HOW MUCH LONGER...
DO I HAVE TO DRAG AROUND THIS FEELING?
.....
...nah,
that's not right.
It's not like that.
SINCE BACK THEN
HE NEVER LET ME SAY I LOVE HIM.
...I forgot about the laundry...
rattle


I desperately learned cooking when I found out that I'd be living with Wataru.
It's pretty much meaningless though.
What a waste...

I was scared of meeting him again, but I wanted him to like my cooking.

Hey, why don't you move in with me?
raise
Having meals together sure is nice.
Don't sleep like that, you'll catch a cold again.
I'll be fine.
Hahaha, that's the magical charm of kotatsu.
I feel sleepy now.
I'm full~
Whewww~
plomp

be my boyfriend?
Would you...
What... are you saying...?
but I won't let you feel lonely.
This place might be small compared to his,
Tani-guchi...
I've always been in love with you.
...Tani-guchi...
Wait...!
Mmh...!
Tani...!
SQUEEZE

I NEVER KNEW...
Sorry...
trickle
Wh...
Whot the...!
Whoa! Don't cry!
Huh? What's this?
pant pant
whack
I was moving too quickly.
You must be shocked.
I won't do anything more.
I never noticed!
rub rub
Sorry for jumping on you so suddenly...
It's okay...
I'm sorry, too, for crying like an idiot...
Then... I'll walk you halfway.
.....
...I'm going home.
I'll walk you home
No need ...
setting up

I...
have been in love with you since a long time ago...
I'm serious.
You're not soft,
you're too nice for your own good.
Even if you go well with him, I will somehow feel happy.
Fine with me.
I am such a softy.
If you can't accept it, then we can stay just as friends.
.....
Won't that be painful?
Good then.
Okay.
And let's work together, okay?
...yeah.
Just don't start avoiding me you hear?
Yeah...
I'm sorry.

Yeah...

this is as far as I go...

Well then...

wait

.....

AFTER I PARTED WITH TANIGUCHI...
MY TEARS FLOW ONCE AGAIN...

I FEAR OF LOSING A COMFORTABLE PLACE TO REST MY HEART.

AND FOR NOT BEING ABLE TO RESPOND TO TANIGUCHI'S FEELING..

AND I FEEL SAD SINCE THE ONE THAT LOVES ME IS NOT WATARU

...but...
I WON'T HAVE TO HURT ANYONE THEN.
WOULD IT BE BETTER IF I CHOOSE TO BE WITH TANIGUCHI?
TOLD WATARU THAT I LOVE HIM.
So you come back home...
Welcome...
thump
WITH ME STILL IN LOVE WITH WATARU... THAT WON'T BE FAIR, RIGHT?
open
MOREOVER— I STILL HAVEN'T

home...?!
drip
drip
What's wrong?!
What happened?!
I guess...
Wataru is the only one I love.
Whoo!
Idiot! Stop it!
grab

What are you doing?!
I haven't done anything!
My lips didn't even reach you!
Just once is enough...
let me kiss you!
...not that again...!
That much is okay, right...?
WHY CAN'T I DO ANYTHING BUT THIS KIND OF FOOLISH STUFFS...?
Why are you acting like this...?
After that I'll give up...
Today... Taniguchi confessed to me.
That guy...!

That's why..
just this once is enough...
After that I'll give up... you don't have to worry.
What will you do after that?
After I get over it...
...I'll date Taniguchi.
I have to properly settle everything in my heart, or I'll feel bad for him.

You don't have to settle anything...
I'm begging you... stop pushing me...

right now
I love you...!
...that's why...
And you said ...just once ...just once,
think about the consequences ahead!
...but
guess I have no choice.
thump thump thump thump
THERE, I SAID IT!
Back then...
I don't care about the consequences...
you were still a middle-schooler
Even now, you still understand nothing.

Don't you understand?
Our houses are next to each other, and our families hang out together, you know?
clench
I know!
But I don't care!
I'm asking if you are prepared for it...?
If you're with me, I'll endure everything.
I see...
You're no longer a child, huh...
We're both adults now,
so both of us can take the responsibility, right...?

Was that all?
Ummh..
Huhz

I was actually planning ta wait a bit more to lay my hands on you...
and I already distanced myself so I could hold back.
slump
...oops!
His tongue ..!
Tongue
Guess it's not over yet
I'M SO HAPPY
You better get ready for it.
Huh?

Uhm...
Don't cry...
Ah!
Hey! Don't back off from me...!
Wa... Wait!

Don't look at it too much...
Will it...
fit...
in me ...?
stare
I know...
giggle
I never thought to-day ... things would turn out like this.
stare
twitch
B...
But...
tremble
tremble
slip
I've moistened you enough so it should be okay.
I'm fine!
If you're scared, then I'll do it just with hands today...
.....
wince
flowp
I've never seen him like this.....
I'll put it in slowly...
Mmh...
gasp
Put...
Put it in...
It's all right.

おたよりください♥ LETTER PLEASE
次回からは原作付きになります。よかった、よかった。でも頑張らないと！
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OLDER TWIN : TSUKASA
Well, well...
At last you put your hands on him, huh...
I can feel it from the atmosphere here.
What is it with you? Even though I got your things delivered from home...
If you're done then go away!
!
clatter
You did it faster than I predicted.
You don't have to prepare tea for him!
?
It wasn't my parents?
No matter how close our families are, it wouldn't come out unless he wants you in his hands the entire time...
No one would have the brat next door live together without a reason.
You...!
At least I wouldn't.
Has he told you?
He was the one who brought up the whole business of living together with you.
Eh...?

It means he's been aiming for you since long ago.
Unless he had an ulterior motive, there was no way he'd help with some brat's studies.
Well...
Our types are different, so I can't understand where Hiroto's charms are.
Is that so...
Wataru doesn't talk much about it.
I used to hate him, but now, I think I appreciate Tsukasa a bit more.
blush
Go home already!
slurp slurp
Go home after you're done drinking that tea!
clatter
Ah, that's right.
Big bro's getting a baby, I heard.
Thanks for the treat!
Once it's born, things will cool down more or less.
Good for you, and for me, too.
blam
It seems there's still one family that will cheer for us.

I PROPERLY TALKED ABOUT IT WITH TANIGUCHI.
Is that so? Good for you than.
He's a good guy... I feel so sorry...
tears
I hope someday Taniguchi would be happy as well.
AT THE PLACE OF NAOYUKI, WATARU'S PRECIOUS STUDENT...
IT SEEMS HE'S STILL WORRIED ABOUT SOMETHING, SO HE'S STILL GOING THERE SOMETIMES.
Wataru-san, it's about time Hiroto-san's done with his job.
And it's about time you stop wasting time here and pretending you're just picking him up on the way home.
Shut up!
That's not all I'm worried about!
MORE LIKE A MOTHER THAN A BROTHER.
You're worried Hiroto will be snatched away by his co-worker, Taniguchi.
I went to all the trouble of raising him, so there's no way I'll let him cry, right?
.....
THERE ARE MOUNTAINS OF PROBLEMS, BUT...
IT WILL BE ALL RIGHT IF WE STAY TOGETHER.
END
Love is something that's protected by two people